## ARTICLE 7

## SECTION 4

#### **FOSTER CHILDREN**

## 1. FOSTER CHILDREN

# A. Children Receiving Foster Care Medi-Cal Benefits on Oct. 1, 1988

IRCA/OBRA legislation provides that children who were receiving Foster Care Medi-Cal benefits on October 1, 1988 are not to have their benefits reduced from full-scope to restricted due to their inability to provide documentation of SIS. These children are to be considered permanently residing in the U.S. under color of law (PRUCOL) for Medi-Cal purposes. Benefits for these children may be discontinued for reasons other than citizenship or alien status.

## B. Children Who Apply for Foster Care Medi-Cal On or After October 1, 1988

Alien foster children whose application for Medi-Cal is dated on or after October 1, 1988 will be granted either restricted or full-scope benefits, depending on their citizenship/alien status.